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**From:** Chalfant, Mark [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=8C1D644333F94EA2AFF756BE6469E5AD-CHALFANT, MARK]  
**Sent:** 6/16/2015 6:51:14 PM  
**To:** Cirian, Mike [Cirian.Mike@epa.gov]; Parker, Robert [Parker.Robert@epa.gov]; Wilder, Scott [Wilder.Scott@epa.gov]; Peterson, Cynthia [Peterson.Cynthia@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: Press Release: CFAC AOC

Hi all--

Important FYI—The email string below is worth reading. —Mark

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**From:** Haque-Hausrath, Katherine [mailto:KHaqueHausrath@mt.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2015 12:44 PM  
**To:** Chalfant, Mark  
**Subject:** FW: Press Release: CFAC AOC

FYI.

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Senior Legal Counsel  
Montana Department of Environmental Quality  
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**From:** Flatow, Jeni  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2015 11:15 AM  
**To:** Chambers, Jenny; Stoops, Thomas; Large, Keith; Haque-Hausrath, Katherine  
**Subject:** FW: DRAFT Press Release: CFAC AOC

FYI

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**From:** Peterson, Lisa  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2015 10:55 AM  
**To:** Flatow, Jeni; Ponozzo, Kristi  
**Cc:** Hall, Mark (DEQ); Thamke, Ed; Rieger, Michael  
**Subject:** RE: DRAFT Press Release: CFAC AOC

I sent the release to Chris Peterson at the Hungry Horse News. Apparently Rick Hanners is no longer working there.

At first he was a bit confused because he had attended a meeting where they said that any agreement was months away. I suggested that perhaps they were thinking of the EPA action. He agreed.

He also mentioned that CFAC has been having "community outreach" meetings but they don't invite EPA or the newspaper. He wasn't too happy about that and said that others have complained about a lack of transparency.

I'll distribute the release to the other media after lunch.

He was very pleased that we had sent it to him first.

Lisa M. Peterson

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**From:** Flatow, Jeni  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2015 9:21 AM  
**To:** Peterson, Lisa; Ponozzo, Kristi  
**Subject:** RE: DRAFT Press Release: CFAC AOC

Rich Mylott and Rob Parker. I will forward it to them.

*Jeni Flatow*

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**From:** Peterson, Lisa  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 16, 2015 9:17 AM  
**To:** Ponozzo, Kristi  
**Cc:** Flatow, Jeni  
**Subject:** Re: DRAFT Press Release: CFAC AOC

I'll do that and call Rick Hanners as soon as I get there.

Jeni, who was a good good contact at EPA on the Superfund part of this?

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 16, 2015, at 9:10 AM, "Ponozzo, Kristi" <[KPonozzo@mt.gov](mailto:KPonozzo@mt.gov)> wrote:

My only other thought is to give someone at EPA a heads up (since they are named) and CFAC or anyone else named in the release – just so they are aware.

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**From:** Ponozzo, Kristi  
**Sent:** Monday, June 15, 2015 3:44 PM  
**To:** Peterson, Lisa  
**Subject:** RE: DRAFT Press Release: CFAC AOC

This is good to go out in the a.m. Change contact to Lisa

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**From:** Ponozzo, Kristi  
**Sent:** Monday, June 15, 2015 10:26 AM  
**To:** Peterson, Lisa; Thamke, Ed; Hall, Mark (DEQ); Rieger, Michael  
**Subject:** FW: DRAFT Press Release: CFAC AOC

FYI – sent to Gov's office and Livers for final approval.

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**From:** Ponozzo, Kristi  
**Sent:** Monday, June 15, 2015 10:12 AM  
**To:** Wessler, Mike  
**Cc:** Tracy Stone-Manning; Livers, Tom  
**Subject:** DRAFT Press Release: CFAC AOC

Below is a news release we plan to send out later today. Let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

June 15, 2015

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:**

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**DEQ, Columbia Falls Aluminum Company and Calbag Resources Agree to Address Potential Montana Hazardous Waste Act Violations**

HELENA -The Montana Department of Environmental Quality announced that Columbia Falls Aluminum Company and Calbag Resources LLC, the demolition contractors, have agreed to address potential violations of the Montana Hazardous Waste Act at the aluminum reduction facility's Pot Room Building in Columbia Falls.

The facility contains 451 aluminum reduction cells which contain K088, a listed hazardous waste derived from spent pot liners. DEQ, CFAC and Calbag entered into an Administrative Order on Consent to address the need for a hazardous waste management permit to store K088 on-site for more than 90 days, and to address the potential that CFAC and/or Calbag may violate hazardous waste accumulation and storage time limits.

This Consent Order does not address the demolition and disposal of any other building, structure, or equipment associated with aluminum processing or reduction at the facility. Nor does the Consent Order address the release of Superfund hazardous substances at the site. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency will work in close consultation with DEQ through a separate process to ensure a protective cleanup of the site under the federal Superfund program. EPA has proposed the site to the National Priorities List and the state of Montana supports this listing of CFAC. CFAC and Calbag are not required to obtain a Permit for the storage of hazardous waste from the Pot Room Building for more than 90 days provided they comply with the provisions of the Consent Order.

CFAC and Calbag will submit a plan for the proper removal of the K088 and other regulated hazardous wastes from the Pot Room Building and for the proper transport and off-site disposal of the wastes at a permitted disposal facility. Once the process of removing K088 begins, CFAC and Calbag will have 90 days to process, store, and transport the waste from that individual site to a permitted hazardous waste disposal facility.

All K088, and any other listed or characteristic hazardous waste, will be removed from the Pot Room Building within two years from the date DEQ approves the plan. Additionally, the DEQ Asbestos Control Program has been providing direct compliance assistance and regulatory permitting for demolition of the facility.

For questions concerning the Montana Hazardous Waste Act and laws, please contact the Waste and Underground Storage Tank Bureau at (406) 444-5300 or visit DEQ's website at: [www.deq.mt.gov](http://www.deq.mt.gov)

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